Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 17 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 18 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 17 Nov 2023 at 02:18 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for dry and settled conditions on Friday then a change to strong winds, rain and mild weather on Saturday. High for generally mild and showery conditions for Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Friday 17 Nov 2023: Dry with long sunny spells. Cloud and winds increasing in evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 17 Nov 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
20%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%	<05%

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Weather: Cloudy early morning in the south with a few showers, wintry on munro summits. These will soon die out to leave a dry day with long sunny spells developing. Clear spells and some fog patches in the evening but cloud and winds increasing later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%, but 30% early morning in the south.

Low cloud and visibility: Mainly excellent visibility. Patchy cloud and fog above 600m in the south and patchy valley fog in the north will lift and breaking through the morning.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	6/7 E	4/6 SE	7/10 SE	11/15 SE	15/20 SE	23/29 SE	29/36 SE
900	6/7 E	4/6 SE	7/10 SE	12/15 SE	15/20 SE	21/27 SE	25/32 SE
600	5/7 SE	4/5 SE	5/8 SE	8/12 SE	11/16 SE	13/18 SE	17/24 SE
300	3/5 E	3/4 E	4/7 E	5/10 E	6/14 E	4/15 E	3/19 E
Glen	5/6 E	3/4 E	3/6 E	7/10 E	9/14 E	8/16 E	11/21 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-2	1/-1	0/-3	0/-4	-0/-6	-0/-7	-1/-9
900	2/-1	2/-1	1/-2	1/-4	0/-6	0/-6	-0/-8
600	4/1	3/2	3/1	3/0	2/-2	2/-2	2/-3
300	2/0	2/1	4/2	4/2	2/-1	2/1	3/1
Glen	6/4	4/3	7/6	7/5	6/3	6/4	7/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	900m	800m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Generally good hillwalking conditions but be prepared for some areas of snow or ice above 900m.

Forecast for Saturday 18 Nov 2023
Weather: Rain spreading east overnight, preceded briefly by snow above 900m before milder air arrives. Outbreaks of rain continuing through the day, heavy and perhaps thundery at times and accompanied by strong winds giving some difficult walking conditions.

Maximum wind: South or Southeast 40mph gusts 70mph early morning becoming Southwest 30mph gusts 50mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%.

Low cloud and visibility: Poor visibility in rain with areas of cloud or fog above 500 or 600m but higher and more broken cloud eastern ranges such as Ben Wyvis.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7C rising to 10C.
At 800m: Plus 1C rising to 6C.
Freezing level: 900m, rising above summits by morning.

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